

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Public Servants - Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department - Allegations of irregularities in CPWS Scheme to Krishnagiri and 55 other habitations in Kurnool District taken by RWS & S Department - Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S (now retired) - Departmental proceedings initiated under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 - Article of Charges - Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 135

Dated:06 .02.2015

Read:

G.O.Ms.No.9 , PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, dated:06 .02.2015.

ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded under sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of the Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 in the G.O. read above, for initiating departmental proceedings against Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S and now retired, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against him in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and list of witnesses, by whom, the article of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II and III).

3. Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S and now retired is directed to submit his written statement of defence within ten (10) days of the receipt of this order.

4. Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S and now retired is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S and now retired, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the order / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiry Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

6. Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S and now retired is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S and now retired is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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7. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged forthwith.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri B. Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S and now retired **through** the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, A.P., Hyderabad (with a request to serve and return the acknowledged copy and W.S.D.).

Copy to:

The General Administration (V&E) Department, A.P., BRKR Buildings, Hyderabad.

SF/SC.

//FORWARDED::BY::ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE –I

STATEMENT SHOWING THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI B.RAJESWARA RAO, THE THEN ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF, RWS&S AND NOW RETIRED

CHARGE:-

That Sri B.Rajeswara Rao, while working as Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, has derelicted his legitimate duties by according technical sanction and proceeded with execution of the work "CPWS Scheme to Krishnagiri and 55 other habitations in Kurnool district" in three phases without obtaining prior permission of Irrigation & Command Area Development Department for drawal of water from Gajuladinne river, for which an amount of Rs.2346.02 lakhs of wasteful expenditure was incurred.

Basis:-

The General Administration (V&E) Department, in their Alert Note No.76 (498V&E /E2/2012), dt. 10.07.2012, have reported that Sri B.Rajeswara Rao, the then Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S has accorded technical sanction & proceeded with execution of the work in three phases without obtaining permission of Irrigation & Command Area Development Department for drawal of water from Gujuladinne Project. Even after Irrigation & Command Area Development Department informed on 31.03.2009 that allocation of water to drinking water scheme is not feasible, he has proceeded with the execution of Phase-I and Phase-II of the scheme. And also, he had proceeded with Phase-III of CPWS Scheme on 23.02.2010, even though the I&CAD department informed that water drawl is not possible from Gajuladinne reservoir, there by an amount of Rs.2346.02 lakhs wasteful expenditure was incurred. From this it is evident that he discharged his legitimate duties with gross negligence and violated Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules 1991.

Hence the charge.

Dr.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY
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ANNEXURE-II

**LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED
AGAINST SRI B.RAJESWARA RAO, THE THEN ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF,
RWS&S, AND NOW RETIRED ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED**

From the G.A. (V&E) Dept., Alert Note No.76 (449/V&E/E2/2010), dt.
10.07.2012.

Dr.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY
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ANNEXURE-III

**LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED
AGAINST SRI B.RAJESWARA RAO, THE THEN ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF,
RWS&S, AND NOW RETIRED ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED**

- Nil -

Dr.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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